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BASSANO EXHIBIT AT IRRIGATION CONGRESS

Board of Trade Making Collection for District Exhibit. Bassano has Twelve Delegates. Excursion to the Big Dam on October 9th.

No less than between thirty-five and forty districts in British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan have indicated their intention of sending exhibits to the exhibition in connection with the International Irrigation Congress in Calgary, October 14th to 21st. The province of British Columbia and Alberta will send government displays and the Canadian Pacific Railway will compete with those for the government or corporation agents. Districts which have already indicated for space are as follows: Basco, Princeton, Carleton Place, Oke, Red Deer, Lacombe, Lethbridge, Wetaskiwin, Assiniboia, Three Hills, Trochu, Holden, Viking, Bitter Lake, Minto, Tofield, Wainwright, Vegreville, Vermillion, Lloydminster, North Battleford, Prince Albert, Battleford, Saskatoon, Regina, Swift Current, Moose Jaw, Medicine Hat, Gleichen and Strathmore. Outside of the exhibit the Board of Trade is preparing Harry Patton has entered an exhibit of potatoes and third cutting alfalfa. The potatoes which are to be shown in this exhibit arrive 30 to the bushel.

On Monday morning, October 14th, the Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, will leave for Ottawa, which will be electrically connected with the flag and draperies at the convention hall. This will mark the first time that the flag will be flying over the hall. The Duke of Connaught will then, in the name of the Governor-General of Canada, declare the Congress open.

The programme for the Congress has been issued and shows a very large list of prominent agriculturists and irrigation experts who will take part. The Calgary chorus of nearly 500 voices will prove a great attraction.

The free excursion to the Bassano dam given the delegates by the C.P.R. will leave Calgary at ten o'clock on Friday morning, Oct. 10th. They will be accompanied by a number of the C.P.R. staff.

NEW C.P.R. SCHEDULE REMOVES BASSANO LOCAL

The C.P.R. winter time table leaves Bassano and the intervening town with poor train connections to Calgary, since the Bassano local is being removed as well as the Soo train Nos. 12 and 13. The new schedule comes in action on Sunday, Sept. 27th. The new time for Bassano train is not yet announced.

C. P. R. CONSTRUCTION OUT FROM BASSANO COMPLETED.

The C. P. R. construction gang working out from Bassano on the Swift Current-Bassano line completed their work last week. With the exception of a small bit of work near Empress and the completion of the bridge over the line is practically complete. The following is a dispatch from Empress: "The steel work on the big railroad bridge across the Saskatchewan river is progressing very satisfactorily under the direction of A. W. Blair, C. P. R. bridge superintendent at Bassano, and James H. McCredie, engineer in charge. It is expected that the bridge will be completed and ready for the crossing of traffic by October 15th."

BOARD OF TRADE TAKE EXCEPTION TO RULING OF COUNCIL

The Board of Trade executives placed itself on record against the ruling of the Council with respect to the Harnessey agent. The executive holds that it would be a breach of business honor to withdraw after the contract was authorized by a majority vote in a regularly called meeting of the Board. The executive also claims that as this account is not payable for another year it is not a matter for the present Council to pass judgment upon.

The Board suggested co-operation with Gleichen, Strathmore and Calgary to retain the Bassano local in service.

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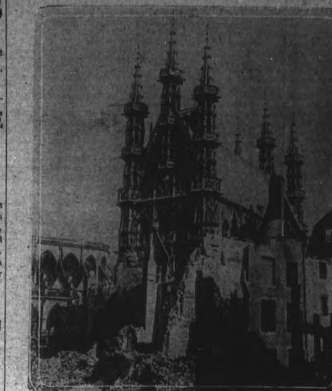
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DESTRUCTION OF LOUVAIN BY THE GERMANS



Photograph of the Hotel de Ville (City Hall) at Louvain, Belgium, after the burning and sacking of the city by the German troops who alleged they had been fired upon by Belgian civilians. The city hall and the railroad station were practically the only buildings left standing. At the left of the picture are the ruins of the famous St. Peter's Cathedral and in the foreground is the wreckage of several of the old Flemish houses, which made Louvain a delight to the tourist and artist. The Louvain Hotel de Ville is considered one of the most marvellous pieces of architecture in Europe. It is of pure Gothic type and contains priceless art treasures.

CAMROSE CONVENTION WILL BE IN BASSANO NEXT YEAR.

Councillor Bader and Secretary Towner, who were successful in securing the Union of Alberta Municipalities Convention for Bassano next year.

It was necessary for the Bassano delegates to put up a pretty sharp fight to overcome the arguments of those from the larger cities, but when it came to a vote it was plain to be seen that all eyes were toward the town that has been the centre of attraction to thousands of visitors to this province. This convention, coupled with the Western Canada Irrigation Convention, will attract a great number of outsiders to Bassano next year.

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Any persons desiring to join the company should apply to Geo. H. Bond, Geo. H. Travis or Dr. E. C. Harris, who have charge of the preliminary lists.

STANDARD FARMER GETS 38 BUSHELS PER ACRE

J. R. Johansson, of Standard, means to get something around \$5,000 from his 128 acres of wheat this year. He has the splendid average of 38 bushels to the acre and at the prevailing high prices, he means to make something approaching a clean-up this year.

Mr. Johansson blames his success upon proper farming methods and irrigation—and particularly upon irrigation. Part of Mr. Johansson's crop was permitted to struggle to maturity without the aid of water. The result for that was an average of only 10 bushels to the acre.

BIRTHS

TORIAN—At Bassano, on Wednesday, Sept. 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Torgan, a son.

FERGUSON—At the Colorado colony on Wednesday, Sept. 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ferguson, a son.

GEM THEATRE

FRIDAY NIGHT

5 Reels 5

Sidney Ayres and Vivian Rich in "Destinies Fulfilled"

Get the aid of Alcy and Some Belle Daughters—Two good comedies.

SATURDAY NIGHT

A Good Keystone

COUNCIL HOLDS LONG SESSION

Fire Escapes to be Erected on School. Hospital Question Held Over for Tax Returns. Transfer of Hospital Site to be Received by Town.

The regular meeting of the Bassano Council was held in the Council Chamber on Monday evening, Sept. 21st, with the Mayor and all Councillors in place. Councillor Connolly being on duty early, relieved the Mayor of the usual conduct of the chair. The folks were heartily enjoyed and taken in good part.

A number of communications were received and dealt with, the first being from the C.P.R. re their water account. The same has not been paid since April, though the company claims vouchers are now in preparation. On motion of Councillor Connolly and Travis the secretary was instructed to notify the C.P.R. that the town by law had the right to demand that the account be paid monthly, and also to draw their attention to the length of time the account has been in arrears.

A letter from the Mayor-Mcney Co. re price on road grates was filed.

The secretary of the International Irrigation Congress asked that the names of the town's delegates be forwarded immediately. On motion of Councillor Purcell and Connolly the Mayor appointed Messrs. Shoppe, Fryberger, King, King and Paton. Messrs. Purcell and Fryberger already have credentials.

A letter from the Canadian Pacific Engineering Co. was filed.

A communication from the C.P.R. construction department asking to be relieved from the water contract inasmuch as of late received consideration and the privilege was granted. The temporary discontinued operations on Sept. 15th, and contract expires Oct. 15th.

Communication from the Board of Education was next dealt with, asking that the Council provide the necessary funds to erect fire escapes on the school building. Secretary Berry was given the duty of the school board in the neighborhood of \$400.00, and that the board was to be on their own. Councillor Flanagan pointed out that from steps with a railing would be required to be provided. The Council was unanimously of the opinion that the escapes should be erected at once and gave instructions to have the board call for tenders on same and submit tenders to Council before acceptance. Mr. Berry was also asked to have the fire alarm on the school bell connected.

The overworked condition of the school was brought up. J. R. Mavor, being present, informed the Council that the board had made ample provision for this.

Mr. Kirkley presented an expense account for his use as assistant on a trip to High River for records. The account, which amounted to \$83.00, was authorized.

The C.P.R. in a letter regarding the hospital site, stated that the company held the transfer in readiness to be handed over on return of the water agreement properly signed. The agreement holds that the five acres set aside for hospital purposes shall be used to no other end, otherwise the title will revert to the C.P.R. Councillors Travis and Connolly thought it would be wise to ask that the agreement regarding the water and park purposes. After a short discussion the consensus of opinion showed that it was thought best to leave well enough alone and on motion of Councillor Purcell and Purcell the agreement was authorized signed as it stands.

At this point the electric lights failed. By the time the secretary discovered an oil lamp of none too brilliant illuminating powers, the current was turned on again.

Mr. Mitchell, for Bassano C.O., in reply to a complaint on the quality of the coal supplied, stated that owing to trouble with the Indians it was hard to get well screened coal. As it would be necessary to raise the price of coal on account of high price of labor and the fact that the Indians were hard to be relieved from further responsibility in supplying the town. His contract is now completed.

Councillor Southern gave a report of the hospital committee, stating that on consultation of the doctors, it would be quite possible to operate with temporary disposal but could suggest no satisfactory temporary water supply. He gave an estimate of \$1200 for connection with the new water main and \$25 for temporary sewage. Councillor Connolly, as a member of the hospital committee, thought it possible to operate with temporary disposal but could suggest no satisfactory temporary water supply. He gave an estimate of \$1200 for connection with the new water main and \$25 for temporary sewage. Councillor Connolly, as a member of the hospital committee, thought it possible to operate with temporary disposal but could suggest no satisfactory temporary water supply. He gave an estimate of \$1200 for connection with the new water main and \$25 for temporary sewage.

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Mechanical models occupied the next booth. A scene in the Rockies and a series of field scenes were depicted by models. In front of these was a large model of the Bassano dam, showing its workings. This probably attracted more people than any other item in the exhibit. A large collection of mounted birds, all kinds of eastern and western birds and a display of B. C. fruit filled the next booth. Attached to this booth was a forest scene depicting a big game hunting camp in the Rockies. A full camping equipment was supplied and everything was done to make it as realistic as possible. In the foreground there was a lake and the finishing touch was made by a canoe drawn up on the bank.

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Alberta Electric Co.	1.20
W. H. Mavor	1.00
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Alberta Electric Co.	21.70
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Cash Disbursements	18.78
Compensation Cash	53.00
Wheat Lined	18.48
Calgary Iron Works	27.48
Central Oil Co.	3.83
Bassano Carriage Co.	6.00
M. J. Reed	20.00
Pierre Bros.	10.82
Debitors Account:	
Bassano Carriage Co.	7.20
Man. Bridge & Iron Works	70.00
Bassano Mill	2.80
Central Oil Co.	3.83
N. H. Milroy	8.50
Calgary Iron Works	27.48
Geo. H. Bond	10.00
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Alberta Electric Co.	10.00

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PASTOR - Rev. J. A. CLAXTON

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SerVICES - 11 a.m. 7:30 p.m.
Sunday School at 2:30 p.m.

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Miscellaneous

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APPLICATION WANTED

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FRANK H. BERRY,
Secretary-Treasurer, Bassano.

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FOR SALE OR TRADE

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Ward 3 (East of Fourth St. and South of 4th Ave.) - Seven bells.

Ward 4 (East of Fourth St. and North of Fourth Ave.) - Eight bells.

Practice Alarm - Three bells.

The Bassano Time Table

GOING WEST
No. 12.....1:05 o'clock.
No. 1.....22:03 o'clock.
No. 3.....12:16 o'clock.
No. 510.....7:40 o'clock.
No. 545.....22:30 o'clock.
(Calgary to Medicine Hat)

GOING EAST
No. 2.....5:29 o'clock.
No. 586.....7:40 o'clock.
No. 4.....16:20 o'clock.
No. 516.....21:50 o'clock.
No. 14.....1:35 o'clock.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH WEST LAND REGULATIONS

THE act hereof of 18 or any other male over 18 years of age may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy (not by mail) is not allowed, on certain conditions.

Twelve - Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteaded lot may within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. Twelve - Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 80 acres and erect a house worth \$100.

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NON PROGREDI EST REGREDI.

The above is a latin slogan adopted by a certain high school to spur the pupils to higher attainments in the realm of study. Translated it reads "not to go forward is to go back"

Some people have said Bassano came on the map like a mushroom. Fortunately, the only similarity can be attributed to its quickness in development. Unlike other towns in the West, that have undergone boom times, Bassano has come out with a foundation for development that outlives any contemporary. Scarcely four years have passed since Bassano was not even a "quantity" to be mentioned, yet today there can be found every convenience of a modern city. It has been the idea of the town to provide necessities first and leave the luxuries to be enjoyed when the town has proven worthy of them. Hence Bassano boasts an excellent waterworks system, and fire protection, sewage disposal, electric lights, incinerator and every prospect of a natural gas supply. This, combined with a splendid railway service and a large surrounding territory of fertile irrigated land, assures a future.

Still, there is apt to come the feeling that the heights have been gained—that everything has come to the limit—and that a halt should be called while people sit back and feet are satisfied. This is dangerous for the town as well as an individual. A feeling of contentment in human attainment is not a good thing in a singular or collective sense.

Next year Bassano is going to entertain two important conventions, and besides, the C. P. R. is bringing in a large number of settlers. Bassano has no public auditorium for the reception of the delegates in keeping with the dignity of its standing.

This undoubtedly will be satisfactorily overcome by ways and means not yet provided; yet it brings to light the next great necessity for the town.

It is rumored that this question is to be brought before the council at an early date. It will necessarily lead to a lengthy discussion and consideration, yet Bassano people will be prepared for the outcome and be ready to give hearty support when the opportune time comes. There is hardly any likelihood of being able to accomplish the erection of a public building next year; but if the spirit of the idea was being pushed good and hard, it would convince the Bassano visitors next summer that the town was alive to future prospects.

Bassano needs a building that will comprise an auditorium, municipal and police office, fire hall and banquet chamber. A suitable building could be erected at from \$30,000 to \$60,000 and the opera house revenue alone in a town like Bassano should pay the interest on the investment.

Those who look at Bassano in the light of "their home town" will welcome the preparative steps to erection of a suitable public building.

THE HOSPITAL

Now that the building is completed and the greater part of the furniture in place, it is to be regretted that the hospital cannot be placed in operation immediately. Surely there are means of temporarily supplying water that could be installed cheaply. For example, an ordinary cistern in the basement with a small supply tank in the attic connected with the regular plumbing. A caretaker will be necessary in any event, and this duty of pumping water would not be adding too much excitement to his regular vocation. A full tank

could be stored in the basement without occasioning any extra labor for the caretaker men.

Hospital accommodation is something that is needed badly in a town like Bassano and it is in the best interests of the community that the same be provided at the earliest possible moment.

GAINING GROUND

Trade reports from all over the Dominion show that business is gaining a slight foothold after the great shock of war outbreak. Slow to be true, but it is realized there is nothing to be gained by inaction, and by far the better way is to "take-up-and-get-it." People have to live just the same now as in times of peace; and so far, no very satisfactory scheme of existence has been devised whereby some considerable relief is not necessary.

Let everyone get busy. This is a serious time and there is no room for the idle pessimist.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor,
The Bassano Mail.

Dear Sir:-

If you will kindly grant me space for a few lines to express my desire to arouse a feeling of patriotic help in the citizens of our town, I will be very grateful. I have long been aware of the generous feeling and ready-to-help action of the Bassano people, whenever the occasion offered. So feel now when monetary help is so much needed, they will not fall short of the reputation they have already gained, but come forth and give what they can to help the patriotic fund. I will realize, that owing to the financial condition people are not in a position to give large sums, but every little helps. When one considers what can be done by a person of every income, who will preserve a little self-denial, it seems a pity if we can't rise to the occasion and stand aside some of the luxuries we enjoy from day to day. Many will say we don't enjoy any luxuries; but as these different stages are governed by comparison, I say we all enjoy luxuries when compared with the many who are in a state of living at the present time, whose husbands and breadwinners have gone to the front prepared to offer their lives for the well-being of our country. When one thinks what a satisfactory and soothing thought it will be to these poor men, who are ready and willing to give up their lives for the sake of the empire that at home they live with little ones may be looked after and cared for by those not called upon to go to the front. The fact of Bassano not having sent many of her sturdy sons to the front does not mean that the town is in any way inferior with the duty placed upon their citizens of contributing all in their power in helping the mothers, wives and children of other cities and towns in the province and elsewhere of the brave and self-sacrificing heroes who are now offering themselves in defence of the flag that we are pleased and proud to live under. How often that dear old flag has been tossed with the heartiest words "Long may she wave."

In conclusion I would like to draw the attention of every man, woman and child in Bassano to the fact that at present there is a subscription list in the hands of our worthy mayor, Mr. Pierce, who will be pleased to accept donations. No contribution so small to bring forth the blessing and gratitude of many a good and worthy wife and mother.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for the kindness you have extended to me in giving space in your paper to my letter.

Yours anxiously,
A CITIZEN.

MAJOR

The dance in the Liberty school house on Sept. 18th, was well attended, considering the heavy south-west wind which prevailed that night, and although the

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electric lights when not running as they should have been, we will have to put that up, as the report is not on the school board at present, and we are having them get up a dance in the moonlight and buy your tickets here and a can of oil.

Scott has just returned from a pleasure trip to Banff. He will now help his brother round up their herd of cattle and pack out the latest mail.

John Ash is building a substantial addition to his home.

Some people make a lot of wind thinking they can raise a little—and put a prop under it; but when it comes to making road Mr. F. Scott, J. Edwards and John Scott are at your service.

We are well looking for that big dance and free beer which Mr. McCloud was going to pull off on the first of Sept. Don't get excited or strain your eyes.

R. B. Clements has lots of experience and can be well trusted from a show cheer to a buggy spring. Of course we need a purpose buggy or a baby carriage spring.

Joe Edwards is remodeling his house as present, and he is putting in a hard wood floor in the living room, look out for a surprise dance.

Charlie Hood was a caller at the last dance and he sure is a lively success.

What's the matter with the Major's band—then these days? Everything is going to the dogs, and all these things and show us how to pick the best ones, and show us how to pick the best ones, and show us how to pick the best ones.

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Bassano in 1915 will surely be
some convention town.Miss Ida Murray left on Saturday
for Nanton, holidaying for a week
at Calgary en-route.100 different styles to pick from
at \$20.00 per suit.—Jack Torgan.The Bank of Commerce building
has received the attention of the
painters during the week.The store entrances in the Bassano
Drug building have been laid
with a concrete floor. The pool
room fixtures in the vast store have
been packed and shipped to Cal-
gary.See our plain and fancy Mackin-
now Coats; large stock; prices \$5.00
to \$10.00.—at Purcell's.Oil and Chas. Anderson, of Davis,
Ill., were in Bassano for a few days
last week, looking after their agri-
cultural interests in the vicinity.
They intend cropping a considerable
area in 1915.Full range of Stanfields under-
wear for men at "Muir's."At the Hard Times dances given
last Friday night, Mr. Willy and
Mrs. Holmes won the prize offered
for the best couple in costume. A
fair crowd with good music made a
very pleasant evening's entertain-
ment.M. Calder, Deputy Minister of
Public Works, accompanied by W.
H. Young, C.E. for the Dept., with
G. H. Cross as driver, registered at
the Alberta Hotel on Thursday
evening of last week. They were
on a motor trip of inspection of
local improvements throughout the
country.Suits or Overcoats made to order
at \$20.00. 100 styles to pick from.
—Jack Torgan.J. E. Cooper has taken a posi-
tion with the Ford Motor Co. at
Calgary.Jack Torgan is the happy father
of a nine pound son. Jack
thinks there is hope for the allies to
win now.Fresh Bread, Cakes and Buns
always at McKee's.At the Anglican Church congrega-
tional meeting on Wednesday
evening of last week, H. S. John-
son was elected people's warden, to
fill the vacancy caused by the de-
parture of Geo. Dyer for the front.A large stock of the Finest Wool
Underwear, Jack Torgan. Prices
\$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 per
suit.—E. F. Purcell.Any qualified railwayer whose
name is not on the Bassano voters'
list as posted by the secretary-
treasurer, will have till Nov. 1st,
to arrange the correction. Every
man entitled to a place on the list
should see that his name is in place.Editor Ketchum, of Capetown,
formerly of the Bassano News, was
a visitor in town on Wednesday.
He, with a party of friends from
Gleichen, visited the Bassano irri-
gation colony on their way back to
Gleichen via motor.E. L. Stover, of Vancouver, is the
guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Pegler.
Mr. Stover is a brother of Mrs.
Pegler, and the visit is being made
even more pleasant by the fact that
his mother and two sisters are also
guests at the Pegler home.Ladies' Fall Walk-Over shoes at
Muir's, the Walk-Over Store.More trouble has been experi-
enced at the gas well. Another
flow of water was struck and had
to be eased back. Work is pro-
gressing now and it is hoped that
this will be the last serious draw-
back. About three hundred feet is
the present depth of the well.Pure Home-made Candy, See
McKee's Window.Don't worry when you stumble—
remember, a worm is about the only
thing that can't fall down.There are 180,000 dry goods stores
and 1,000,000 wet goods stores in
the United States.The first hundred new recruits
for the R.N.W.M.F. have been
secured.A modern highway is to be built
at once between Toronto and Ham-
ilton at a cost of \$600,000.Our \$20.00 Suits are a genuine
bargain, but we also make suits up
to \$40.00.—Jack Torgan.Is neither rank, nor birth, nor
state—
But "get-up-and-get" that makes
men great.Did you notice the special line of
suits displayed in Muir's window on
this week at \$15.00—no more
—no less.Mayer Brown, of Medicine Hat,
says he has assurance from Sir
Wm. Mackenzie that if the Domi-
nion government will advance the
money on the bonds guaranteed,
the C.N.R. will build twenty-five
miles this fall from that city north-
ward.The Master-in-Chambers at Os-
goode Hall, Toronto, refused to
give judgment in favour of John
Lutz, a German, who sued one
John Glassford. Lutz must become
naturalized or wait until the war is
over.Anniversary services in connec-
tion with the Bassano Presbyterian
Church will be held on Sunday,
Oct. 4th. The preacher for the day
will be Rev. J. A. Morrow, P.A.,
of Medicine Hat. The Ladies' Aid
of the congregation is holding a
supper in the church on Monday,
Oct. 5th, to be followed by a pro-
gramme of music and addresses.
To all of these meetings the public
is cordially invited.Lawrence D'Orsey, the Earl of
Fawcett, who has been playing
in Edmonton and Calgary theatres
recently, owns a large tract of land
in Alberta. He hopes to retire
from the stage within a few years
and settle in Alberta, where he can
personally supervise his extensive
interests.No one who has had anything to
do with recruiting in recent weeks
will fail to appreciate the humor
of a cartoon in the last issue of Fun-
ch. A volunteer who has been re-
jected on account of defective teeth
replies: "Man, you're makin' a grand
mistake. I don't want to bite the
Germans; I want to shoot them!"The first serious break in the
waterworks system occurred last
week, shutting the town supply off
for nearly twenty-four hours. A
cup on the 10 inch main in front of
near the police barracks broke out
and necessitated shutting of the
town supply till repairs were made.
Another leak in front of the bank
of Commerce is being repaired to-
day.If the present fine weather con-
tinues for a few weeks it should be
possible to complete the stone and
brickwork on the new Bassano post
office before the extreme cold sets
in. The concrete foundation is now
practically complete and upon the
arrival of the necessary materials
the stone and brick work will be
proceeded with.The Bishop of Calgary has set
aside next Sunday, Sept. 27th, for
the celebration of special interces-
sion services for a speedy peaceful
outcome of the great war. At
Bassano Holy Communion services
will be held at 8 o'clock a.m., and
at 11 o'clock Matins and Litany
will be celebrated. The annual
"Harvest Festival" services will be
held in the Anglican Church at
Bassano on Sunday, Oct. 11th, at
7:30 p.m.The war situation this week offers
but little change in the outlook.
In the east, Russia and Serbia are
pressing the Austrian forces back
continuously. There is little report
German eastern army so it can be
taken for granted little progress isbeing made either way. Britain
has suffered the severe loss of three
cruisers through a German subma-
rine raid. This will have the
tendency to stir the British fleet to
immediate offensive action. The
greatest centre of interest is the
French invasion. The allies are
desperate in their attempt to drive
the Germans from their strong and
advantageous position. Time will
soon prove the victors. Terrible
has been the loss of life in this
fierce struggle, but it is generally
believed that the allies will prove
their superiority. The entire Cana-
dian contingent now at Valenciennes
will leave for England in a few
days.The Mail will conduct
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